

STATEMENT OF AT&T CONNECTICUT

Regarding Raised House Bill No. 1079 AN ACT CONCERNING OPERATIONS OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES Before the Committee on Energy and Technology March 3, 2011

Proposal:

Raised House Bill No. 1079 makes various changes to the statutes regarding the operations of public service companies. Section 4 of the bill amends the restrictions regarding termination of service for non-payment to permit the termination of service to a residential customer on a Friday, provided certain requirements are met.

Comments:

AT&T supports this change. Customers today generally have the ability to access funds on a Saturday. If customers also are provided the ability to make a payment and have service reconnected on a Saturday, there is no longer any reason to prohibit the termination of service on the preceding Friday. This restriction was removed previously for business accounts and should be removed for residential service as well.

Conclusion:

AT&T supports Raised House Bill No. 1079.